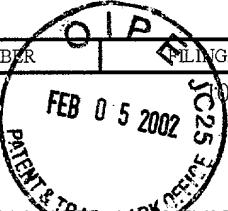




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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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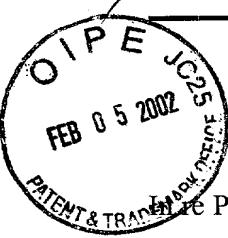
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Sir:

In complete response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers (copy enclosed),
dated November 14, 2001, enclosed please find:

- a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventor(s) and the surcharge of \$65.00 (205) \$130.00 (105) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e);
- Note that the inventor(s) identified on the currently filed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney are different than listed on the application filing papers.
- a Request for Refund;
- a Petition for Extension of Time (1 month, small) and check for \$55;
- a verified English translation of the Application, and the \$130.00 (139) fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(k);

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- an Assignment document and a separate check for the \$40.00 (581) Assignment recordation fee;
- Drawings for publication (Figures 1-33, 31 pages);
- other _____;
- a check in the amount of \$ _____ for the fee due for missing parts; and
- charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due for missing parts.

Small entity status is hereby claimed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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